Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The good health and general well-being of the people of South Dakota is strengthened by our awareness and understanding of a genetic disorder known as 4p- syndrome, with Wolf-Hirschhorn as the main syndrome; and,

Whereas, Children with 4p- syndrome are usually born with low birth weight and develop slowly, both cognitively and physically, compared to their same-age peers, and experience medical complications while still maintaining pleasant and lovable personalities; and,

Whereas, Dedicated professionals are presently involved in valuable research to explore new therapies and diagnostic tools and to offer hope to persons with 4p- syndrome; and,

Whereas, The 4p- Support Group estimates that approximately 1,000 individuals in the United States have 4p- syndrome, though it is thought many remain undiagnosed; and,

Whereas, It is incumbent upon the citizens of South Dakota to work together to increase research into understanding the syndrome, to advocate for effective diagnostic screenings, to support the development of improved therapies for early intervention and other necessary and critical treatments, as well as join in recognizing and applauding the valuable role which families and advocates of those who have 4p- syndrome play in helping our medical community to advance the knowledge and awareness of this syndrome; and,

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is pleased to join people throughout our nation in promoting a special celebration which seeks to raise awareness of 4p- syndrome, designed to have a positive and productive impact on the lives of all people with 4p- syndrome and their caregivers:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 16, 2016, as

4p-/WOLF-HIRSCHHORN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-eighth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State